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MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-SECOND MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON
EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

9 September 1960

Members: Mr. Gerald C. Cooney, Army
Lt. Ralph Muroc, Navy
Maj. George Kidravetz, Air Force
Mr. John W. Easton, JCS

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Mrs. Doris Freer, AEC
Mr. J. J. Bagnall, Chairman, CIA
[redacted]

Guests: Major Elias Bacha, Air Force
Mr. Charles Brophy, Air Force
Mr. Lawrence Hutchinson, Air Force
[redacted]

1. Minutes

The minutes of the 21st meeting of the Committee were approved.

The Chairman announced that the Second Annual Report of the Committee to the USIB was approved 8 August.

2. Proposed Revision of the Foreign Documents Division Reporting System

Prefatorily to inviting discussion of the proposed revision of the FDD reporting system, the Chairman gave further explanation of the motives, planning, and objectives which formed the basis for the proposed system as outlined in his memorandum of 17 August to the Committee. He emphasized that the cessation of a report currently produced by FDD should in no sense be interpreted as a loss to the community of the report's content, since the equivalent coverage of information will in every case be provided in other format.

The Chairman then requested Committee comment on the proposed program.

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Army concurred with the revised program.

Navy approved.

Air Force had no objection.

NSA approved.

AEC approved.

JCS approved.

State was not represented at the meeting.

3. The JCS member asked what disposition was intended for the information appearing in the East-West and Intra-Orbit Travel and Contacts report.

The Chairman stated that the Departments of State and Commerce, and the Library of Congress were now covering this subject matter so thoroughly that any additional effort is duplicative or non-productive of useful information. FDD, therefore, was discontinuing its collection of such information.

4. With regard to the retrievability of data under the proposed system of cataloging the NSA member asked whether FDD would respond to specific as well as the broader types of requirements.

The Chairman replied that FDD would accept any requirement for specific information from foreign language publications, although he presumed that specific requests for information of an industrial plant or biographic nature would be served first on the appropriate registers of such information.

5. The AEC member asked how rapidly FDD could respond to a requirement. The Chairman replied that while this depended on the urgency of the requirement and the volume of information available, when necessary an information report could be produced in a few hours.

6. The Chairman noted that all collated reports produced by FDD will be listed in the OCI Current Intelligence Weekly Summary and the OCR Intelligence Publications Index.

7. New Business

The Chairman introduced four reports which were newly issued since the last meeting of the Committee.

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The Sovnarkhoz and the Administration of Soviet Industry
Summary Number 2662

Communist Revisionism and Dissidence
Summary Number 2622

Review of Communist Theoretical Journals
Summary Number 2543

Agricultural Statistics for Communist China
Summary Number 2614



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9. FDD requested bilateral discussions with Air Force to coordinate the selective abstracting of scientific journals in which both are now engaged.

10. Air Force referred to instances in which [] had omitted full bibliographic referencing of translations, causing considerable bafflement among researchers.

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The Chairman promised corrective action.

11. It was noted that the Committee in its April 1960 meeting had approved a proposal henceforth to review the FDD [] programs as a combined common service rather than as separate activities.

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Accordingly, review of the FDD [] program for scientific reporting as well as the ATIC STEP program was placed on the agenda of the next meeting of the Committee, which is called for 28 September at 1400 hours in Room 1121 M Building

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12. The meeting adjourned at 1445 hours.



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Secretary

Enclosures:

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2. TAB A - FDD-Headquarters
Scientific and Technical reports
3. TAB B []
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COMMITTEE ON EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

A G E N D A

Conference Room - 1121 M Building
Wednesday, 28 September 1960 at 1400 hours

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1. Minutes of the 22nd Meeting.
 2. Scientific and Technical Program

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TAB A

SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL REPORTS ISSUED BY
FOREIGN DOCUMENTS DIVISION-HEADQUARTERS
1 January - 1 July 1960

1. Scientific Information Report
12 reports
2. Subject Index to the Scientific Information Report
~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ - 7 reports

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